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MEMORANDUM TO CHIEF, BUDGET & FINANCE BRANCH

Attention: [redacted]

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Subject: Circumstances of Transfer of [redacted]
to FBIS, Cyprus.

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1. [redacted] entered on duty with FBIS in Military status on 1 December 1947. He was assigned against the T/O to position of Assistant Chief, Editorial Division at that time, and on 30 December 1947, after being civilianized, was given an Excepted Appointment to that position.

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2. [redacted] was being oriented during the month of December, 1947 and part of January, 1948 in FBIS Editorial duties with a view to giving him responsibilities of the position of Assistant Chief, Editorial Division, in Washington for a period of at least one year before reassignment to any other position.

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3. In early January, 1948, however, it had been determined to proceed with the construction of a new FBIS monitoring station on the Island of Cyprus under a reciprocal arrangement with the NSC Monitoring Service. It was believed that arrangements for this construction would be facilitated by having the Cyprus Project handled by an FBIS representative with military rank to deal with British officials on the Island. [redacted] was the only man available in the organization meeting this requirement and although his period of orientation in FBIS operations had been too brief for thorough familiarity it was considered that his general qualifications and experience, together with his rank, outweighed this factor.

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4. It was therefore determined on 23 January 1948 to transfer [redacted] to the position of Assistant Chief, Mediterranean Bureau with complete responsibility to this office for the implementation of the Cyprus Project.

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